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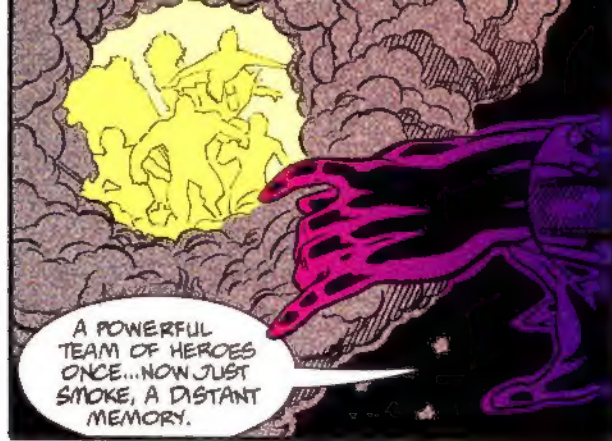
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THE OUTSIDERS... GEO-FORCE,
BLACK LIGHTNING, BATMAN,
HALO, LOOKER, WINDFALL,
KATANA, METAMORPHO,
AND THE ATOMIC KNIGHT...

BLOOD & ASHES

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YOUR BLOOD IS AS RED AS--

RRARRG

GET OFF ME, BEAST!



GET--

AAAGGGGHHH



HOW NICE, A VISITOR, ALLOW ME TO EXTEND--



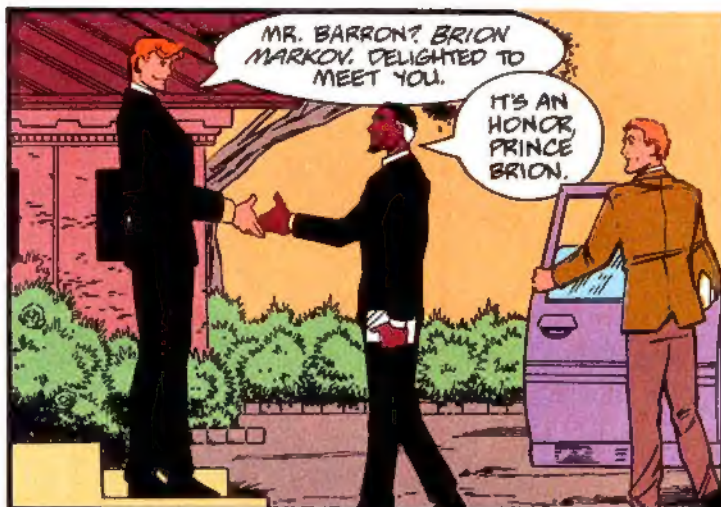
--MY WARMEST WELCOME,

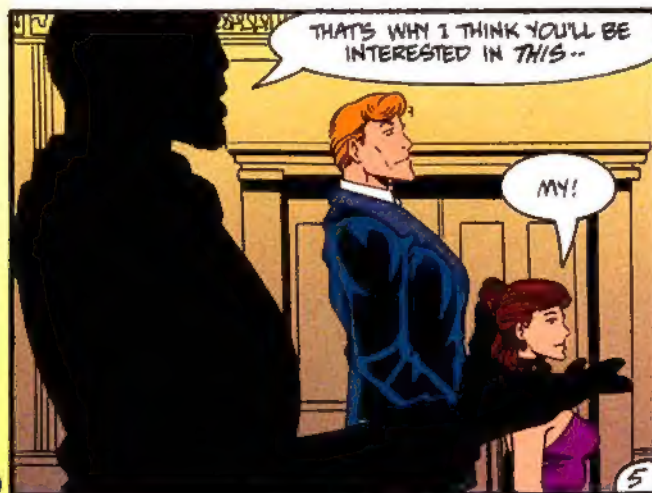
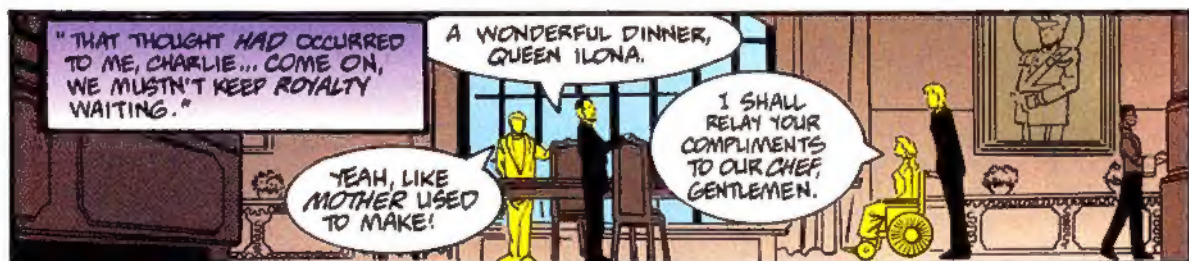
FWOOOSH!

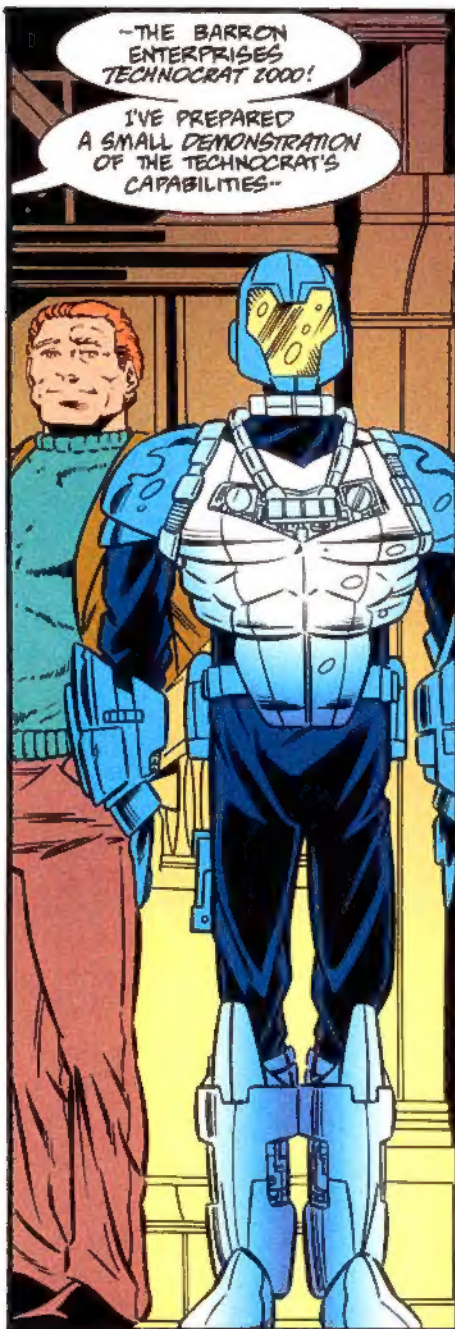


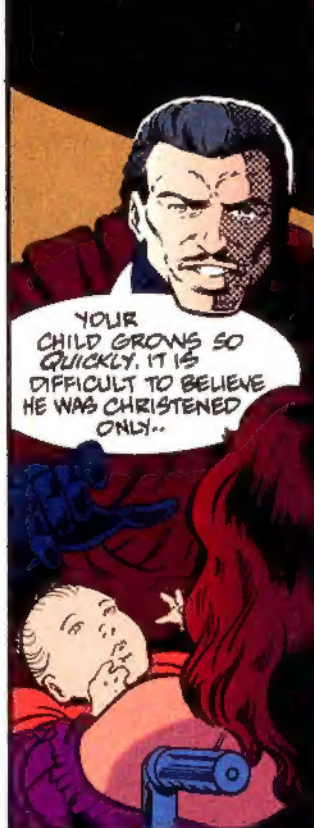
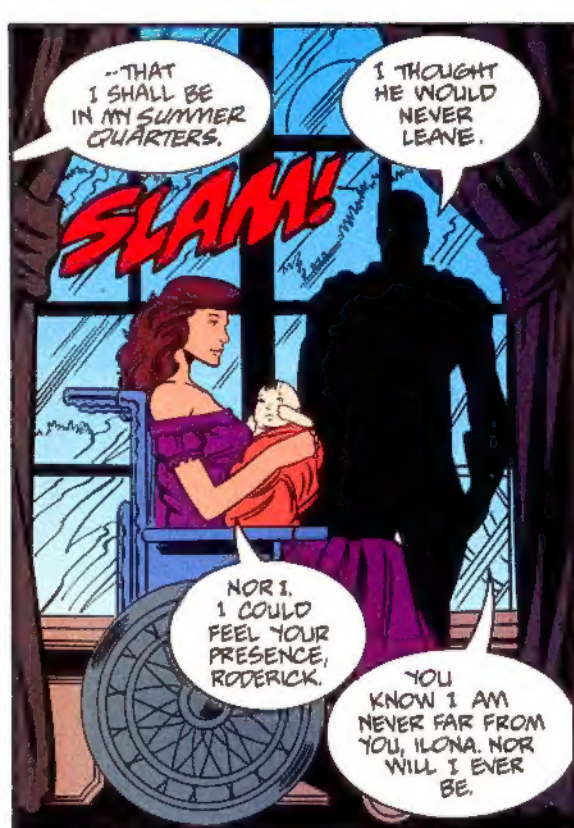
IT APPEARS MY PRESENCE HERE IN MARKOVIA HAS BEEN NOTED.

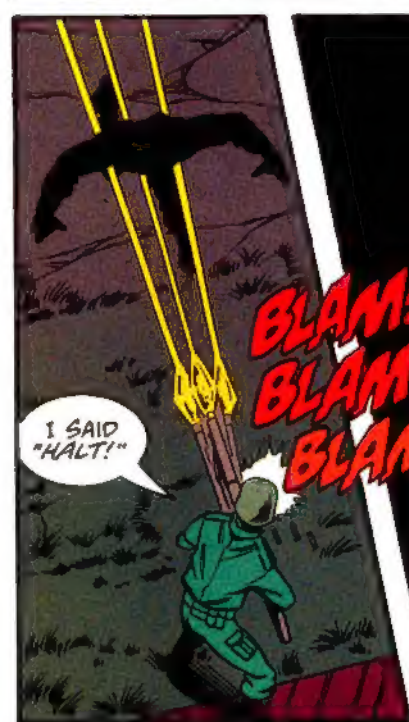
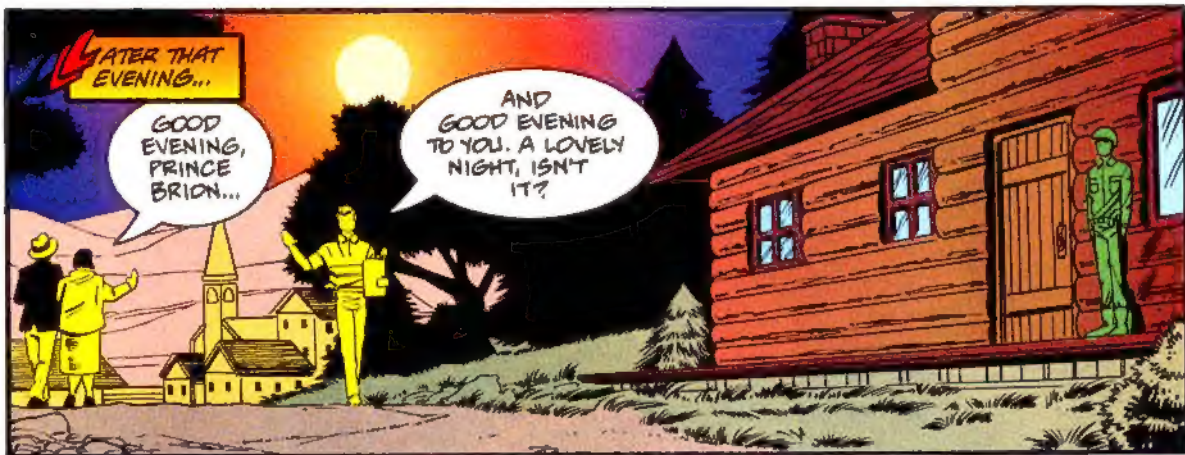
THINGS SHOULD BEGIN HEATING UP SOON.













ONE WHO
THIRSTS.

WERE
THOSE
SHOTS
I...?

GLRGGG!

MY
GOD!



A
MONSTER-
WEARING MY
COUNTRY'S
UNIFORM!

YOU ARE
A COURAGEOUS
MAN NOT TO
HIDE, PRINCE
BRION...



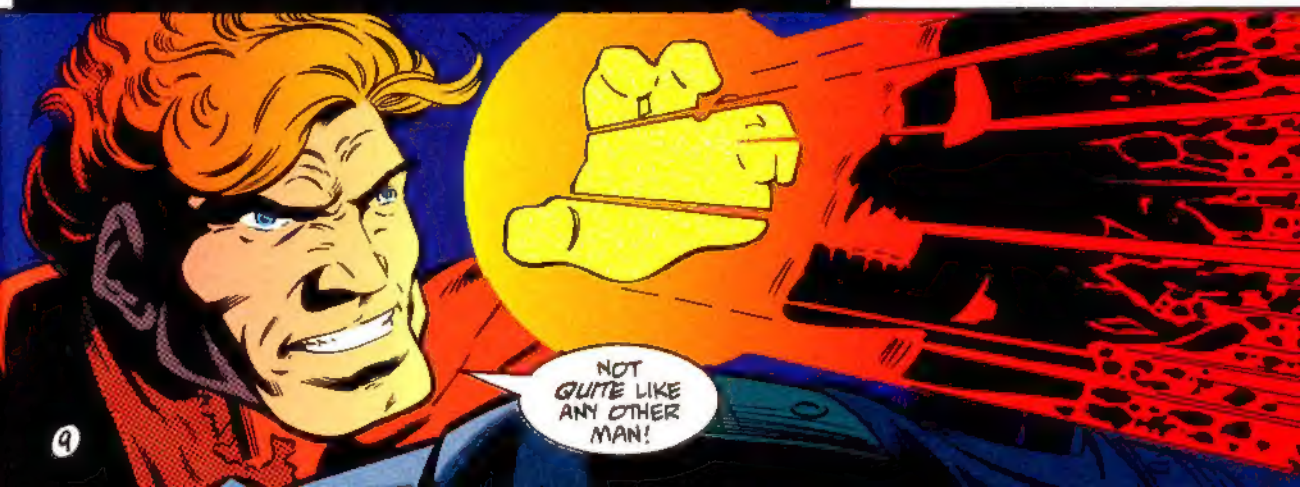
...OR DO YOU
SIMPLY WISH TO
ACCEPT THE
INEVITABLE?

THIS
WILL BE
QUICK
WORK!

CAREFUL!
THIS ONE IS
POWERFUL!



HE
WILL DIE
LIKE ANY
OTHER
MAN!



NOT
QUITE LIKE
ANY OTHER
MAN!



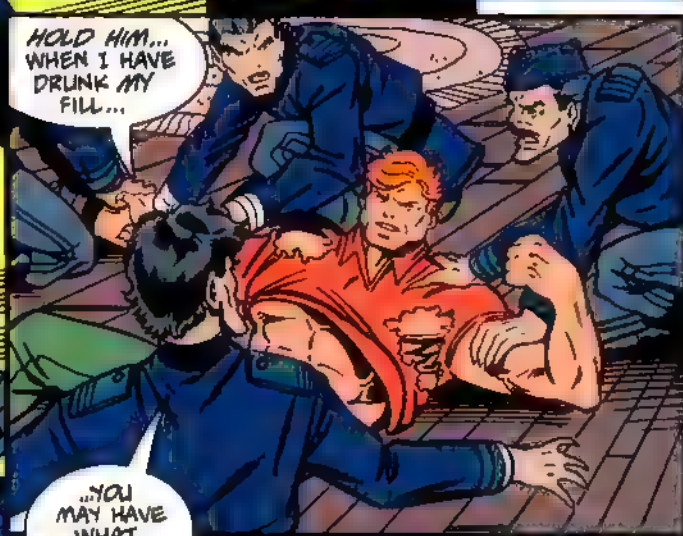
? I THOUGHT CREATURES SUCH AS YOURSELVES REQUIRED AN INVITATION BEFORE ENTERING A DWELLING!

SUCH--

...UNH! SUCH STORIES ABOUT OUR KIND ARE FABLE--



-- OTHERS --
SUCH AS OUR
NEAR-INVULNERABILITY --
ARE NOT!



HOLD HIM...
WHEN I HAVE
DRUNK MY
FILL...

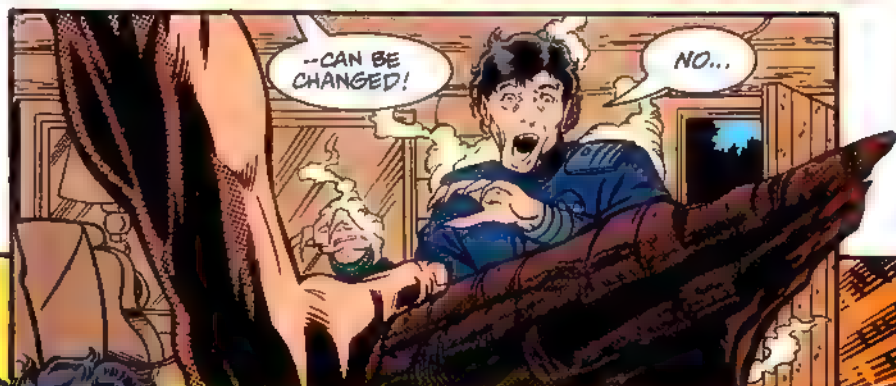
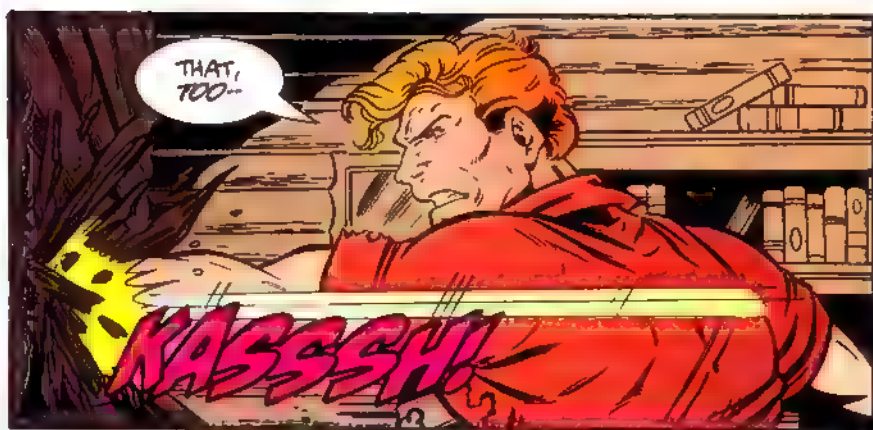
...YOU
MAY HAVE
WHAT
REMAINS.



THAT
PRESUPPOSES
...



...ANY
OF YOU
REMAIN!



IT WAS
TEDIOUS, AS
ALWAYS, GEOFFREY.
WHEN WILL YOU
BE COMING
HOME?

I'M NOT SURE.
I'M TRYING FOR ANOTHER
AUDIENCE :CRIZZIT:
THE QUEEN WITHOUT
:ZZZZZZ: BROTHER-
IN-LAW, SO~

GEOFFREY,
I CAN BARELY
HEAR YOU--

GEOFFREY, CAN YOU :CRZZZZT!

DAMN!

CHARLIE, THE PHONE'S GONE DEAD...

BOSS, THERE'S SOME KINDA ARMY MARCHIN' IN! IT'S BEIRLUT ALL OVER AGAIN -- WE GOTTA RUN!

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THE SOONER I SEE THIS PLACE IN MY REAR VIEW MIRROR, THE BETTER I'M A CITY BOY. I DON'T TRUST A PLACE WITH THIS MANY TREES!

I'M SORRY I GOT YOU INTO THIS, CHARLIE-- I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN OUR MEETING WITH THE QUEEN AS AN OMEN!

THERE'S SOMETHING WEIRD ABOUT THIS COUNTRY, AND THE SOONER WE'RE...

RRRRRRRRCH!

MAN, I HATE THE WOODS!



GROARRR!

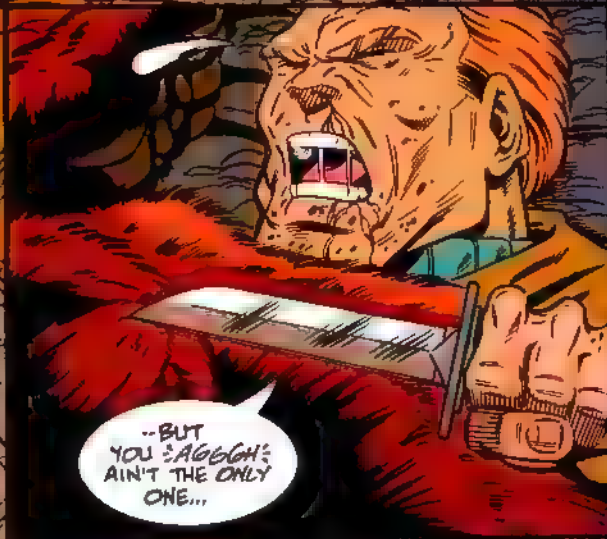
RUN
FOR IT,
BOSS!

CHARLIE,
LOOK--
unnnhhh!



BANG!
BANG!

COME ON,
UGLY! THIS
MAY BE YOUR
TURF...



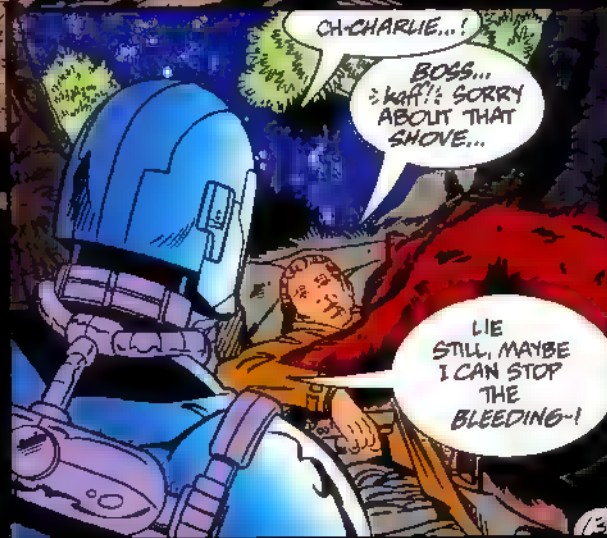
--BUT
YOU SAGGEH!
AIN'T THE ONLY
ONE...



RRRAARRGH!!

SH-TUNK!

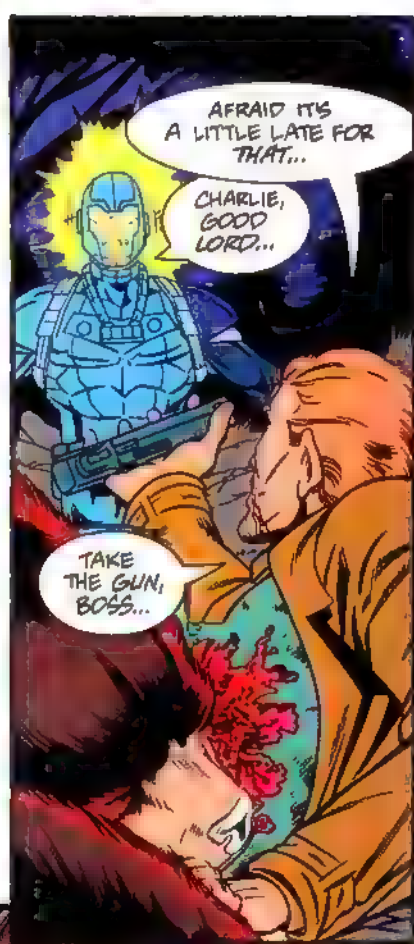
...WITH
CLAWS!



OH-CHARLIE...!

BOSS...
Kaff! SORRY
ABOUT THAT
SHOVE...

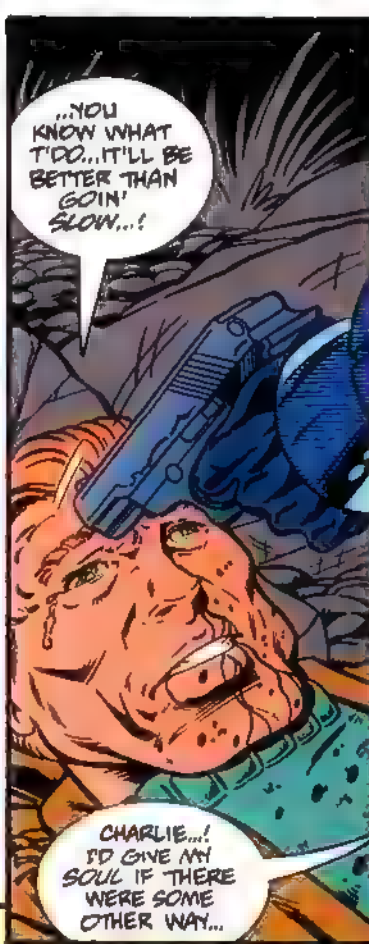
LIE
STILL, MAYBE
I CAN STOP
THE
BLEEDING--!



AFRAID IT'S
A LITTLE LATE FOR
THAT...

CHARLIE,
GOOD
LORD...

TAKE
THE GUN,
BOSS...



...YOU
KNOW WHAT
I'D DO...IT'LL BE
BETTER THAN
GOIN' SLOW...!

CHARLIE...!
I'D GIVE MY
SOUL IF THERE
WERE SOME
OTHER WAY...



INTERESTING
YOU SHOULD
PUT IT THAT
WAY--

WHAT??



SELLING
YOUR SOUL IS
SOMETHING I
KNOW QUITE A
BIT ABOUT.

WHO
THE HELL
ARE YOU?



"HELL"?
YOU DO KNOW THE
RIGHT BUTTONS TO PUSH!
MY NAME IS FAUST.
MORE TO THE POINT, I'M
THE MAN WHO CAN SAVE
YOUR FRIENDS
LIFE.

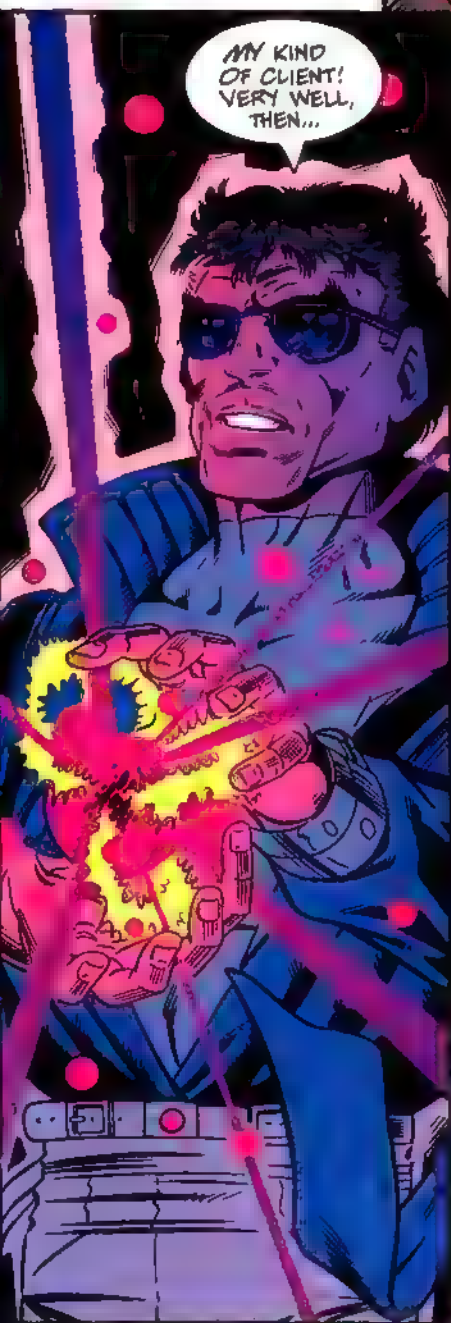
WOULD
YOU LIKE
THAT?



HOW?
HOW CAN
YOU SAVE
HIM?

DOES
IT MATTER?
OF COURSE,
THERE WILL BE
A PRICE.
IT-

DAMN
IT, I'LL PAY
ANYTHING!
DO IT!



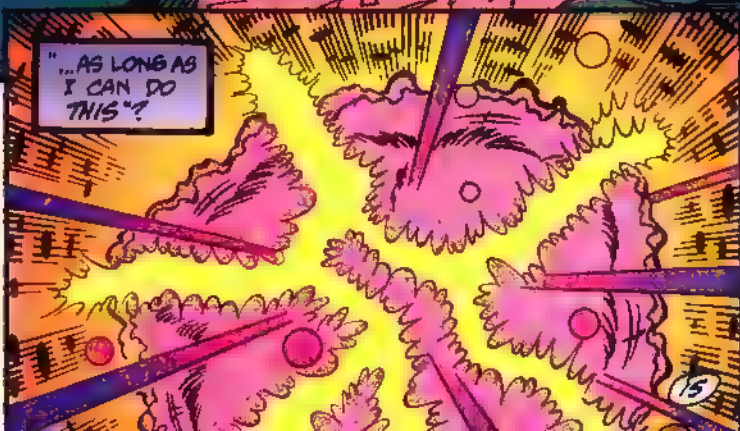
MY KIND
OF CLIENT!
VERY WELL,
THEN...



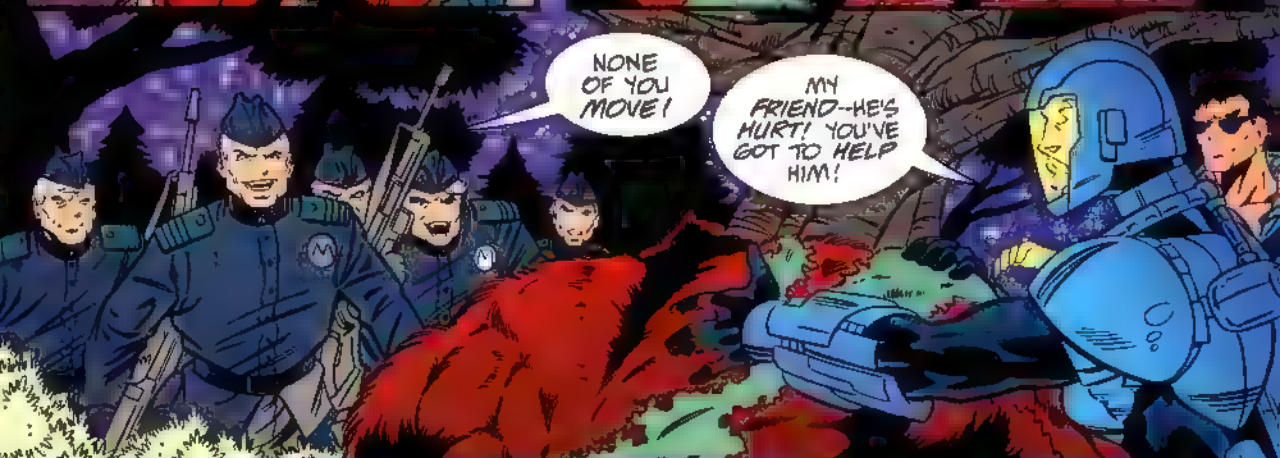
DON'T
LOOK, MR. BARRON...
UNLESS YOU HAVE A
STRONG STOMACH!

HOW DO
YOU KNOW
WHO I-?

I REPEAT,
DOES IT
MATTER...



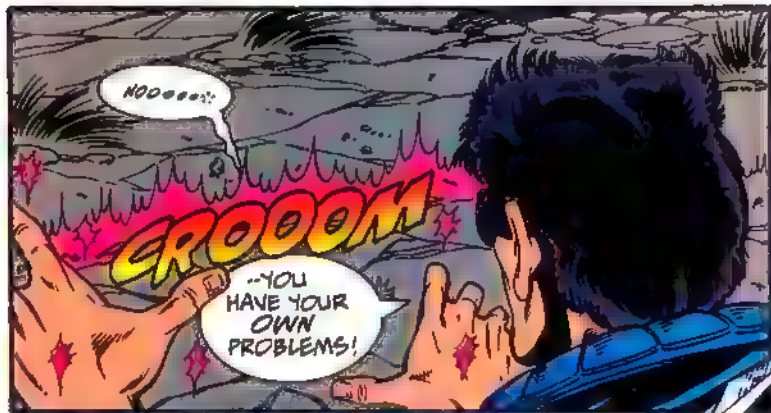
"...AS LONG AS
I CAN DO
THIS"?





I WARNED THEM! AS FOR YOU--

WHA--!



NOOOOO!!

CROOOM

--YOU HAVE YOUR OWN PROBLEMS!



STAY BACK, CHARLIE! I'LL HANDLE THESE TWO!

SHPOOP!

MAN, DO I FEEL WEIRD!



YOU THINK THESE DARTS WILL STOP US? NO POISON CAN--

THEY'RE NOT POISONED--



--THEY'RE JUICED!

CLZZZZT



CHARLIE... ARE YOU OKAY?

BY WHOSE STANDARDS?

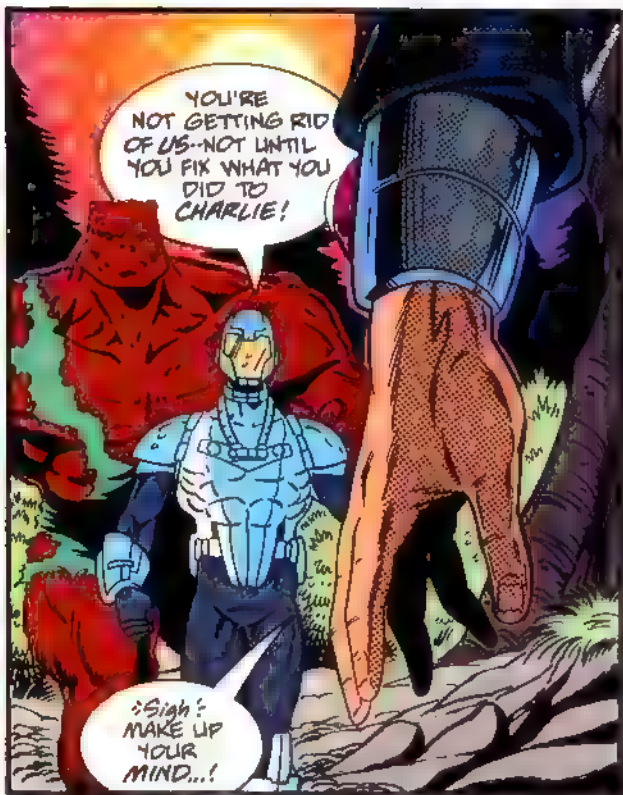
I DUNNO, BOSS... I GUESS.



MY HANDS!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH
MY HANDS?

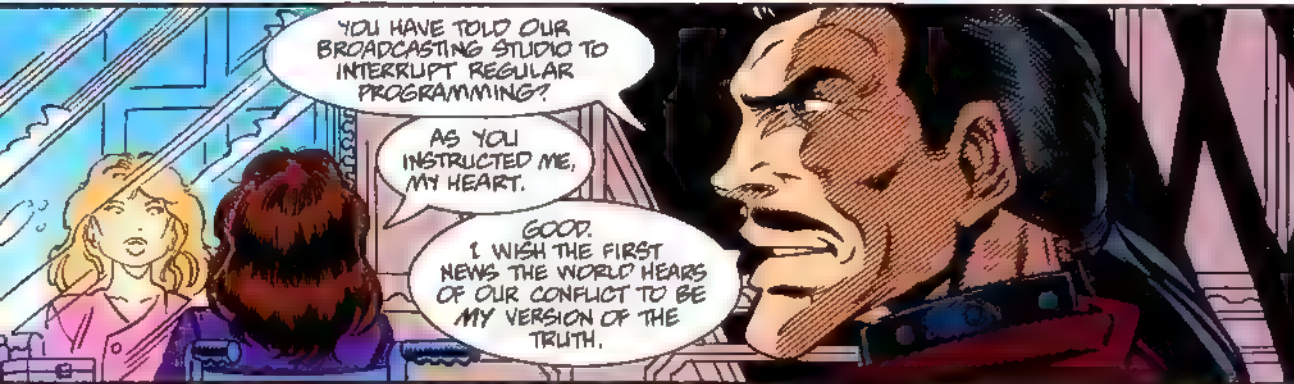
NOTHING...
COMPARED TO
THE REST OF
YOU.

NOW, IF
WE'RE THROUGH,
I HAVE BUSINESS IN
MARKOVBURG.



YOU'RE
NOT GETTING RID
OF US--NOT UNTIL
YOU FIX WHAT YOU
DID TO
CHARLIE!

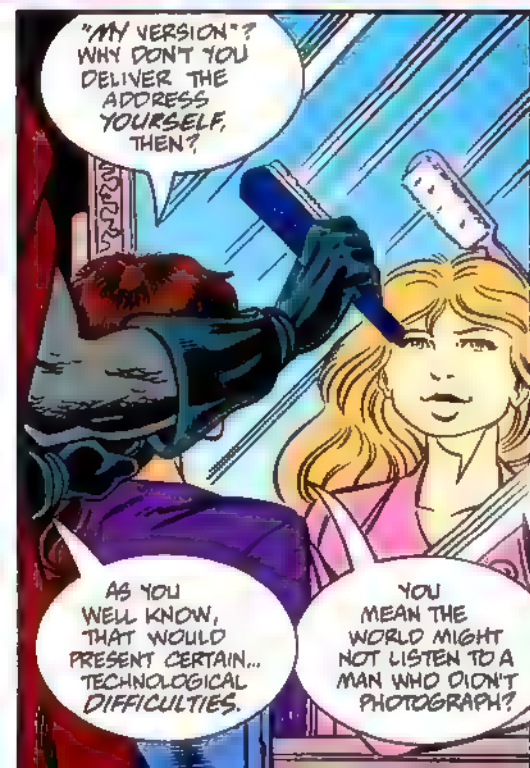
!Sigh!
MAKE UP
YOUR
MIND...!



YOU HAVE TOLD OUR
BROADCASTING STUDIO TO
INTERRUPT REGULAR
PROGRAMMING?

AS YOU
INSTRUCTED ME,
MY HEART.

GOOD.
I WISH THE FIRST
NEWS THE WORLD HEARS
OF OUR CONFLICT TO BE
MY VERSION OF THE
TRUTH.



"MY VERSION"?
WHY DON'T YOU
DELIVER THE
ADDRESS
YOURSELF,
THEN?

AS YOU
WELL KNOW,
THAT WOULD
PRESENT CERTAIN...
TECHNOLOGICAL
DIFFICULTIES.

YOU
MEAN THE
WORLD MIGHT
NOT LISTEN TO A
MAN WHO DIDN'T
PHOTOGRAPH?



I MEAN YOU ARE THE
PERFECT MESSENGER
FOR MY WORDS,
DEAR ONE.
Mmmmm.

Mmmmm.



CITIZENS
OF MARKOVIA AND
HER ALLIES. WE HAVE
ACTED QUICKLY AND
FORTHRIGHTLY TO PUT
DOWN AN ARMED
INSURRECTION FROM
WITHIN OUR OWN
RANKS--

...AN INSURRECTION STAGED BY NONE OTHER THAN THE TRAITOROUS PRINCE BRION."

ROARRRRRGH!

LORD KNOWS WHAT FATE HAS BEFALLEN MY FRIENDS IN THE CASTLE! ILONA WILL NEED MY AID IN PUTTING DOWN THIS--

MARKOVIA IS OVERRUN WITH MONSTERS!

GEO-FORCE, DON'T! THAT'S CHARLIE WYLDE!

RRRR

IT'S ALL RIGHT, CHARLIE... IT'S ALL RIGHT...

YOU SAY YOU MAY RID MY COUNTRY OF THESE ABOMINATIONS?

THAT'S WHY I'M HERE.

YOUR FRIEND...?

CRARR

BEST TO LET HIM VENT HIS FURY ON THE AIR.

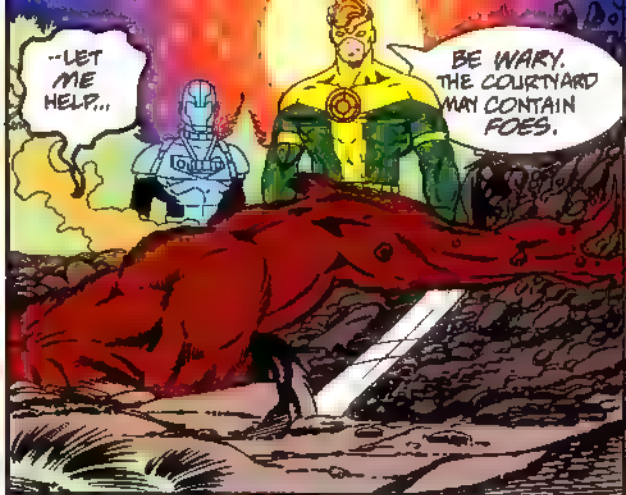
THEN YOU ARE MY ALLY, FAUST. CASTLE MARKON LIES NOT FAR AWAY.



CAN YOU GET US THROUGH THIS WALL?

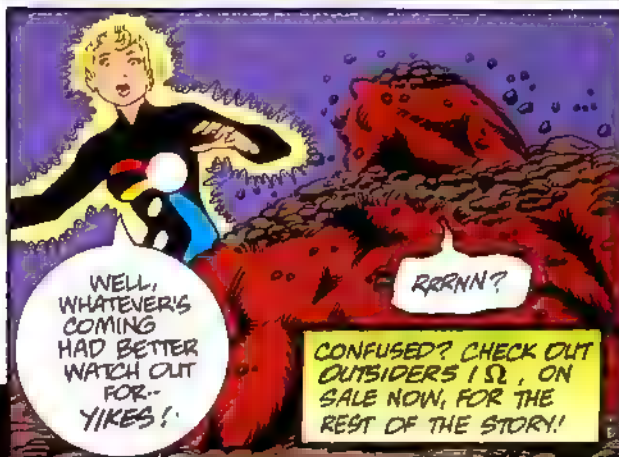
THERE IS NO NEED, WHEN WE MAY GO BENEATH IT!

WAIT--



--LET ME HELP--

BE WARY. THE COURTYARD MAY CONTAIN FOES.



WELL, WHATEVER'S COMING HAD BETTER WATCH OUT FOR-- YIKES!

RORNN?

CONFUSED? CHECK OUT OUTSIDERS I & II, ON SALE NOW, FOR THE REST OF THE STORY!



GABY? NONE OF YOU ATTACK--WE ARE ALLIES!



GABY, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU WELL AGAIN!

HOW MANY OF THESE VAMPIRE THINGS ARE THERE?

I DON'T KNOW, TECHNOCRAT--

--BUT IT'S TOO BAD FOR ANY OF THEM THAT GET BETWEEN ME AND MY HUSBAND!

CAN YOUR SWORD SLAY VAMPIRES?

THERE IS LITTLE IT CANNOT SLAY!

WELCOME, ALL OF YOU--

BOY, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU, TOO!



--TO MY CASTLE MY MINIONS WILL MAKE SURE YOU DON'T WEAR OUT YOUR WELCOME!

YOUR CASTLE? USURPER, YOU WILL RUE THE DAY YOU--



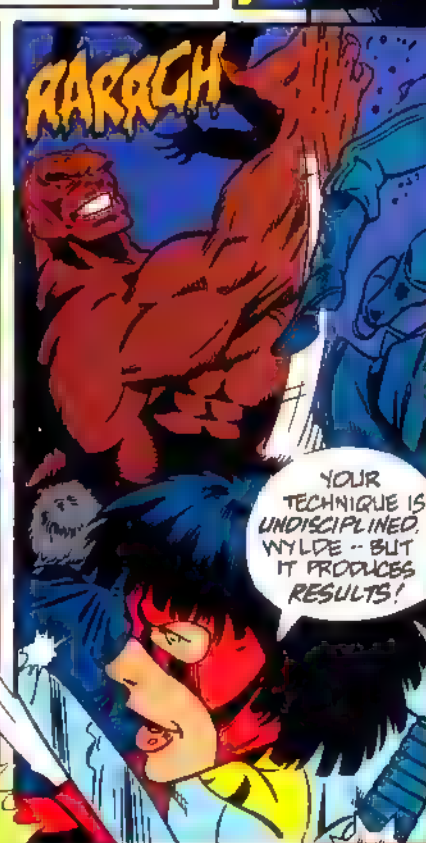
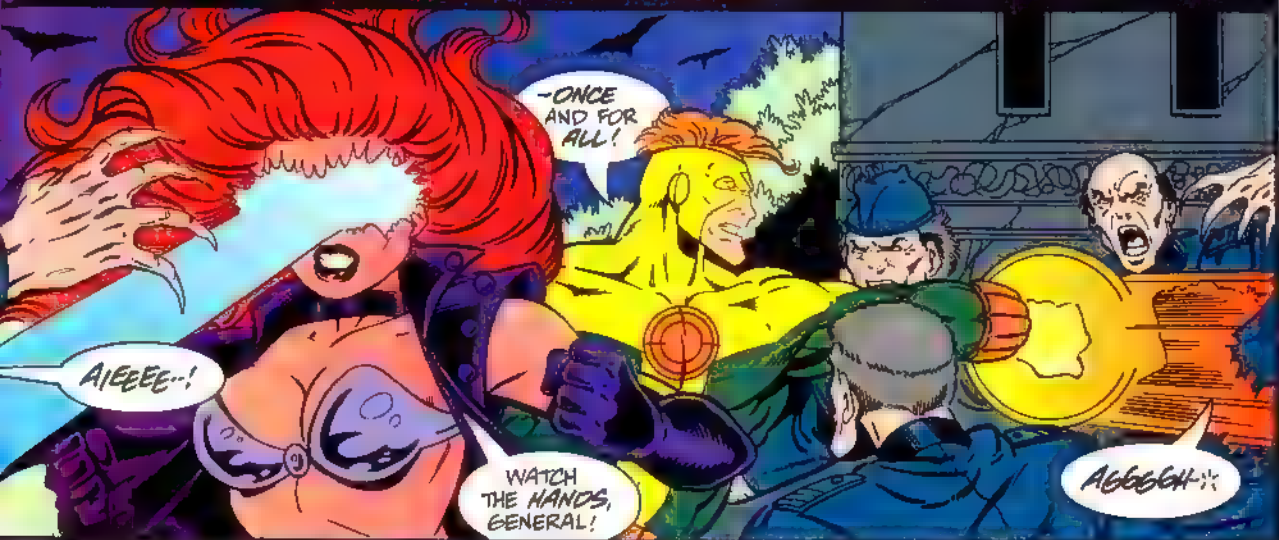
RODERICK?!

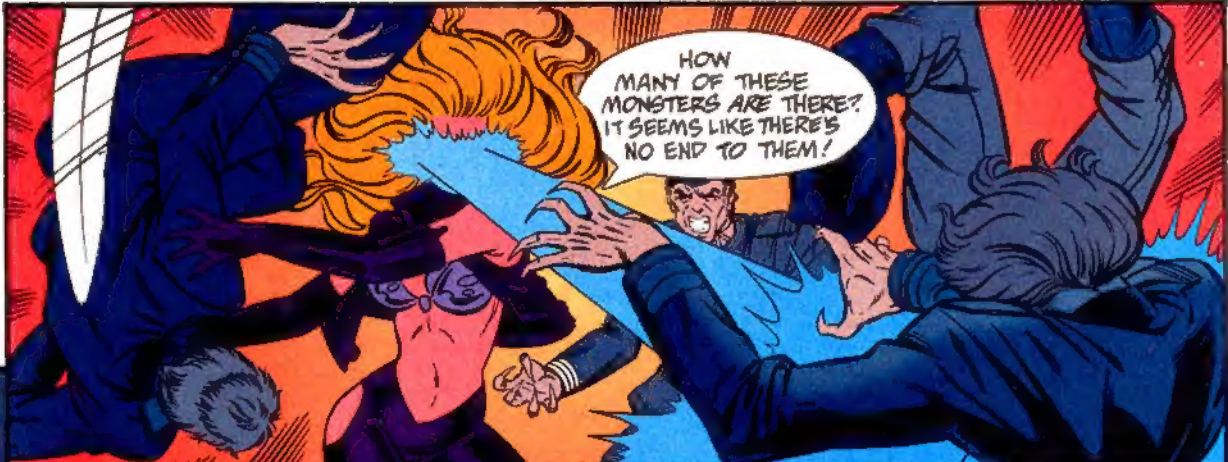
D'YOU
KNOW
THAT GUY,
BRION?

LATER,
HALO--

FOR
NOW,
LET US
ACT!

YES!
LET US RID
MY HOMETOWN
OF THESE
ABOMINATIONS--





HOW MANY OF THESE MONSTERS ARE THERE? IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S NO END TO THEM!

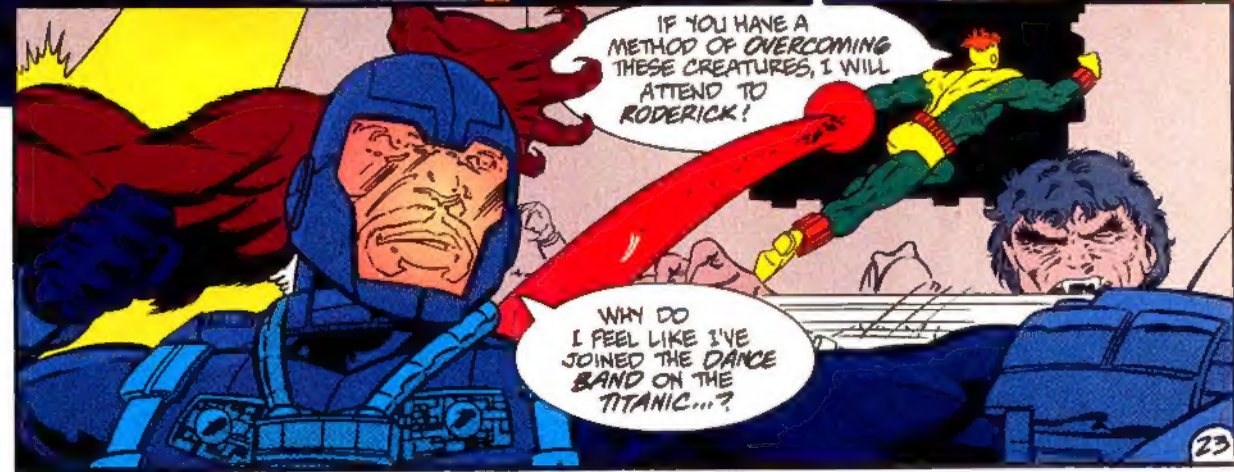


I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN, LOOKER! MY YELLOW AURA SEEMS TO REALLY AFFECT THEM, BUT I CAN'T KEEP IT UP FOREVER!



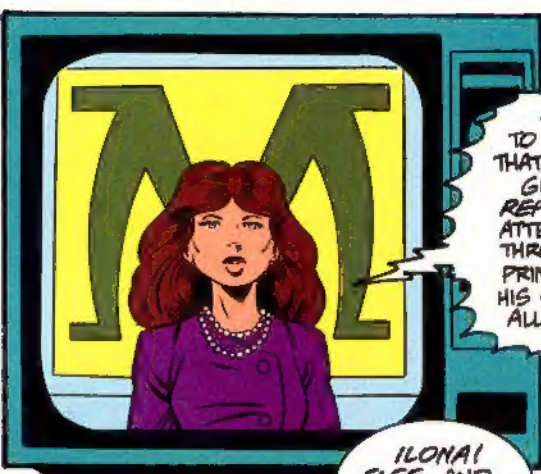
YOUR YELLOW AURA? HALO, IT AFFECTS THEM BECAUSE IT'S LIKE SUNLIGHT! AND THERE MAY BE A WAY TO INCREASE ITS POWER!

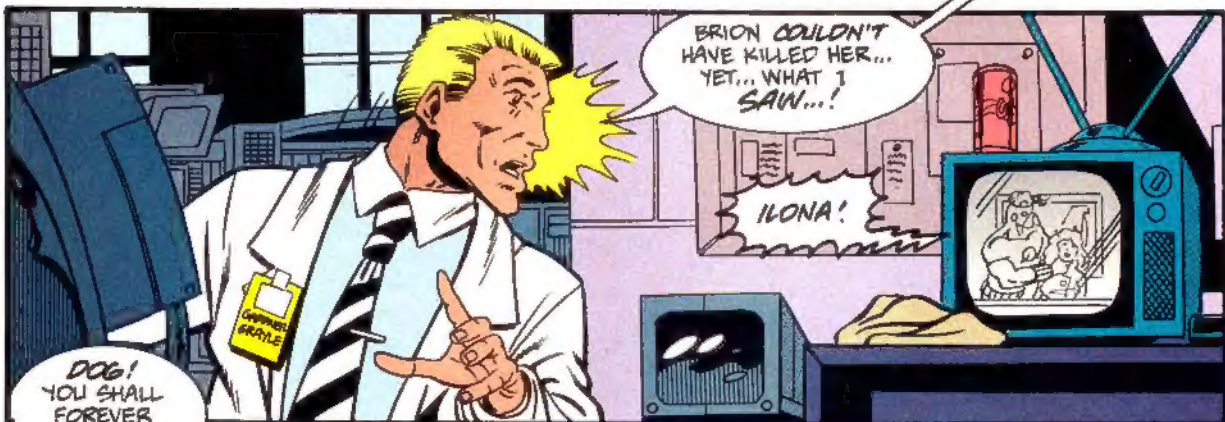
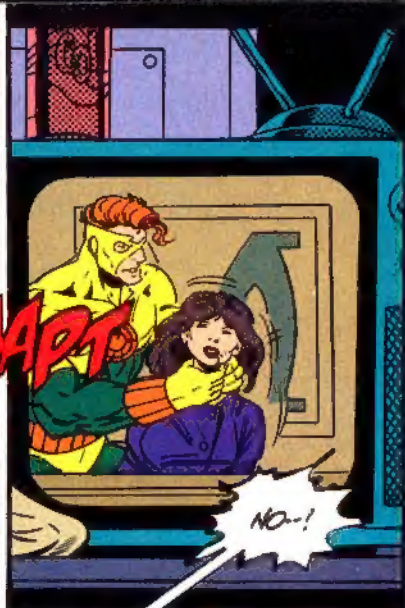
IF YOU THINK SO, FAUST, I'M WILLING TO TRY.



IF YOU HAVE A METHOD OF OVERCOMING THESE CREATURES, I WILL ATTEND TO RODERICK!

WHY DO I FEEL LIKE I'VE JOINED THE DANCE BAND ON THE TITANIC...?







YOU...
YOU ARE *SUKA!*
FORTUNATE, PRINCE
BRION...YOU HAVE SURVIVED
THIS DAY...THOUGH YOU
MAY WISH YOU HAD
NOT!

...MY
FOLLOWERS...
ANNIHILATED! THE
BACKLASH...!

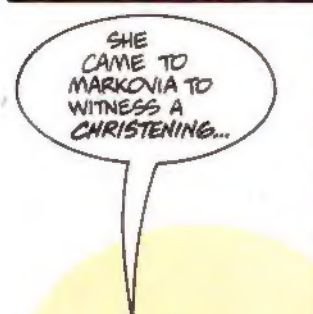


COME
BACK, DAMN
YOU...!



I WAS ONLY
OUT FOR A
MOMENT, HE
CAN'T HAVE
GONE...

LIA?
NO!



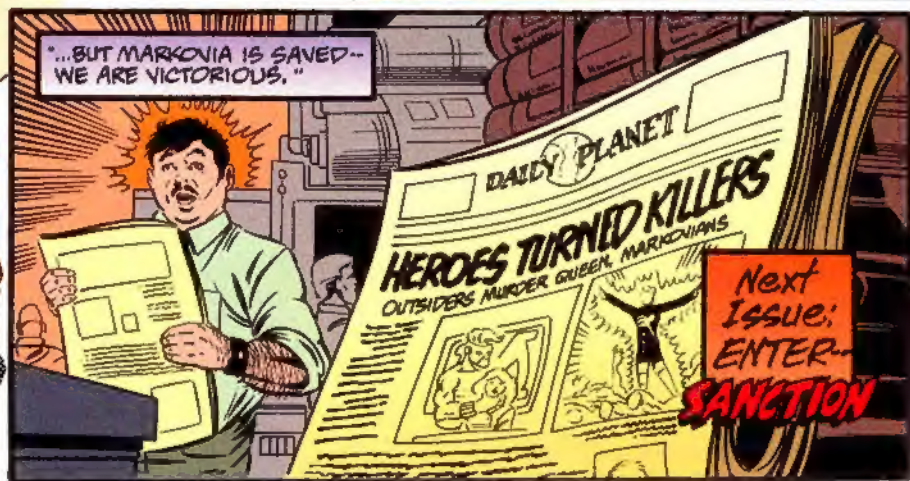
SHE
CAME TO
MARKOVIA TO
WITNESS A
CHRISTENING...



BRION,
WHAT TOOK
YOU SO--

LIA!

IT IS
A HEAVY PRICE
WE PAID, MY
FRIENDS...



...BUT MARKOVIA IS SAVED--
WE ARE VICTORIOUS.

DAILY PLANET
HEROES TURNED KILLERS
OUTSIDERS MURDER QUEEN, MARKOVIAN

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Issue:
ENTER
SANCTION